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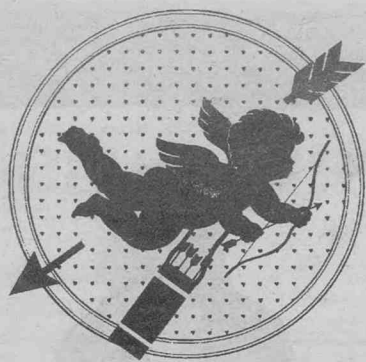
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# THE A&T Register

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## Play pays tribute to Richmond

By Lynette Jones  
Copy Desk Chief

"All of us have weapons enough if only one was love and another the joyful discovery of doing good deeds."

A&T's Richard B. Harrison Players will pay tribute this week to those words, spoken by a late civil rights hero of the 1960s, in the debut of the play "David Richmond."

### WANT TO GO?

**WHAT**  
"David Richmond"

**WHEN**  
Feb. 12-14, 16, 8 p.m.  
Feb. 15, 3 p.m.

**WHERE**  
Robeson Theatre

**TICKETS**  
\$8 general, \$5 students,  
\$3 A&T students

The play will be performed Feb. 12-14, 16 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 15 at 3 p.m. at the Paul Robeson Theatre.

Richmond is best known as one of the members of the "Greensboro Four," who began the '60s sit-in movement at a downtown Woolworth's. But the writer of the drama, Dr. Samuel Hay, chose not to focus on a re-enactment of the sit-in movement nor the acts that led up to that time on Feb. 1, 1960, when the four A&T freshmen went to a "whites only" lunch counter, sat and demanded service.

"I wanted instead to look at David's struggle," says Hay, the play's writer and the head of A&T's theatre department.

The "struggle" Hay refers to is Richmond's life following the sit-ins. Richmond was among the least successful of the Greensboro Four. The sit-in at Woolworth's was one of the highest points of his life. After that he battled a drinking problem, unemployment, personal problems and the nagging fear that he had peaked in life as a college student.

Set in 1941, the year of Richmond's birth, the story

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## Aggies attack

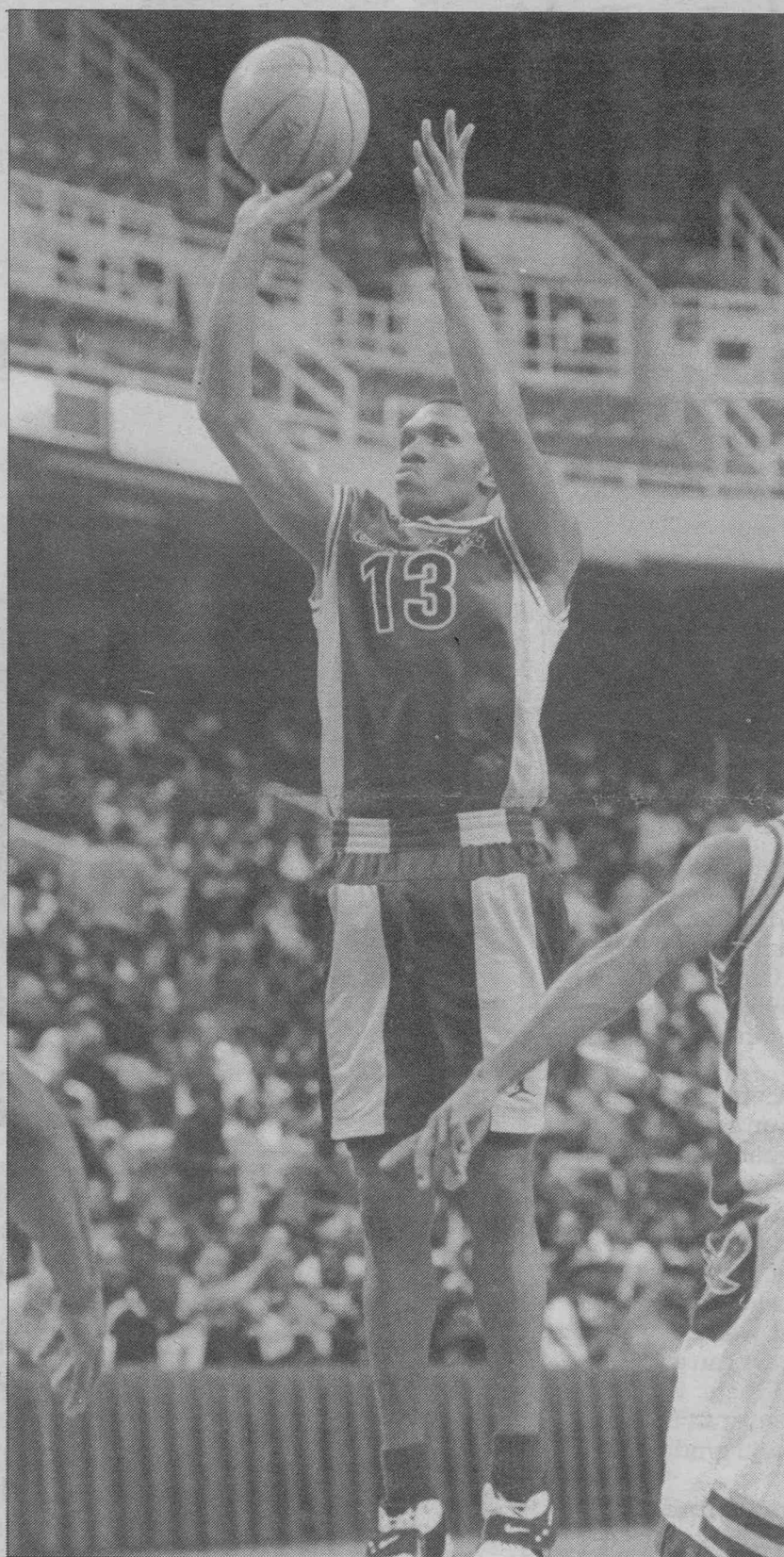


Photo by Joe Daniels

A&T forward Albert Perkins fires a jumper over arch-rival North Carolina Central in the Greensboro Coliseum. The up-and-down, hot-and-cold Aggies lost the game, and head into the season's stretch run with games at home against Delaware St., and Coppin St. The MEAC Tournament opens in Richmond, Va., on March 3. More on sports, page 8: Marq King dissects the Aggies' difficulty on offense.

### Remaining Schedule

Feb. 14  
Delaware State

Feb. 16  
Coppin State

Feb. 18  
Norfolk State  
(Ladies only)

Feb. 21  
at Howard University

Feb. 23  
at Morgan State

Feb. 28  
at S.C. State

March 3  
MEAC Tournament

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## Valentine's Day: Myths, traditions

By Melanie Ostrove  
Staff Writer

St. Valentine's Day: Love it or Lose it.

Feb. 14 is the celebration of love – a celebration that disappoints people who are without lovers.

A&T students have different opinions about St. Valentine's Day, and the basis of the differences is clear: There are those with a significant other and those who are without.

This holiday, with all its highs and lows, grew out of the gruesome leg-

end of a Roman priest named Valentine during the reign of Emperor Claudius II. Claudius ordered Roman soldiers not to marry or become engaged because he believed his soldiers would want to stay home with their families instead of fighting wars. Valentine defied Claudius' orders and married young couples. For that, he was arrested and beheaded on February 14. Henceforth his sainthood. Henceforth his holiday.

Not that any of that matters today. Aggies by and large profess no knowledge of the holiday's history, but

nonetheless hold strong opinions about it.

Steven McCloud, an animal industry majors, says Valentine's Day is simply not an important holiday for males.

"From the male point of view it's not an important holiday," McCloud said. "It's a female holiday. It's a holiday where you should spend time with your significant other and spoil her."

It's also a day, some say, where guys go broke.

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How do you feel about President Clinton and the sexual charges that are being brought against him?

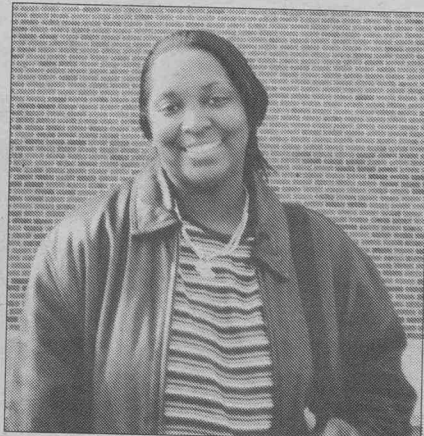
"I feel that President Clinton may have engaged in some inappropriate behavior. But this is beside the point. The country is going well and the economy is doing well. His sex life is not of my concern."

**Charlene Gallishaw**

*Accounting major from South Carolina*



**Adelia Singletary**  
*English major from Durham*



"I think he has done a pretty good job so far. He is innocent until proven guilty."

**Tamika Beasley**

*Business major from Raeford*



"President Clinton is a good president. We should focus on the improvements Clinton has made for the United States and not focus on his personal life. If Hillary [Clinton] does not have a problem with it, why should we?"

## Dudley building receives a facelift

By Tadeshia Joyner  
Staff Writer

The Dudley Building has been undergoing renovation for approximately three to four years. When the building is completed, it will consist of two African Art Galleries: the Mattye Reed African Heritage Center and the HC Taylor Gallery. The galleries will be located across the hall from one another.

The Mattye Reed African Heritage Center evolved in the 1960s. Mattye Reed, its founder, collected African art and donated various works to A&T. Reed retired as the center's director. She now works as an educational consultant.

Dr. Conchita Ndge is the new director of the center. She is currently serving as an interim director at the Center for Cultural Studies in the Republic of South Africa in Alice.

The purpose of the Heritage Center is to give people an opportunity to see African art in its original form. The Heritage Center on campus is not an art gallery, but an office. There is a satellite gallery downtown — the Greensboro Cultural Art Center. The Cultural Art Center is located on the corner of Davie Street and Friendly Avenue.

The HC Taylor gallery was located in the basement of Bluford Library before it was renovated. The gallery contained African-American art.

Vandorn Hinnant, an A&T graduate, is the interim curator of the Mattye Reed African Heritage Center. He majored in art design and graduated in 1981.

Before returning to A&T, Hinnant worked as a visual artist and educational consultant. He also taught in Winston-Salem State University's Art Department for two years.

Hinnant hopes to assist in cataloging (recording what is in the collection) the extensive collection of art at the heritage center. "My goal is to assure that the satellite gallery at the Greensboro Cultural Arts Center will be open for viewing exhibits," said Hinnant.

A&T owns 25 of Hinnant's paintings. The paintings are located in Gibbs Hall, Murphy Hall, Williams Cafeteria, the Admissions Office and the Dowdy Building.

Hinnant also has an instillation (a multi-faceted sculptural art form) based on the Golden Proportion in a group exhibition in the Tangeman Gallery located on the campus of the University of Cincinnati.

The exhibition ran through Nov. 27, 1997. In January 1998, he was in a two-person exhibition at the Fayetteville Museum of Arts in Fayetteville.

The Mattye Reed African Heritage Center and the HC Taylor Gallery are scheduled to open this month.



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# Series aimed to raise entrepreneurial awareness

By Joya Wesley  
University Relations

Mississippi Rep. Charles L. Young Sr., president of E.F. Young Jr. Manufacturing Co., urged students to take control of their own destinies at the second lecture of the School of Business and Economics' Dudley Products Distinguished Lecture Series.

"If you want happiness, take self control," Young told students.

Young spoke on "The Road to Entrepreneurial Success" in Merrick Hall on Jan. 29. He said the first step on that road is to set goals, both long-term and short-term.

"If you don't have any goals or objectives, you're wasting your time. You might as well go and sign

your dropout slip right now," he said.

Young's Meridian, Miss.-based company manufactures ethnic hair care products and has been servicing the hair care industry for 65 years. It distributes products in the U.S., England and Canada.

Young, in addition to serving as president of the company and as a state representative, has been an active member of a variety of community organizations. First elected to the legislature from Lauderdale County, Mississippi, in 1979, he now is chairman of the Municipalities Committee.

The first lecture, "Becoming an Entrepreneur," was delivered in October by Joe Dudley Sr., an A&T alumnus and president/CEO of Dudley Products.

The lecture series is designed to raise awareness about entrepreneurship among A&T students and

faculty. The lectures also are open to anyone interested in becoming an entrepreneur.

The series' third lecture will be delivered Thursday, Feb. 26, by Nathaniel Bronner Jr., vice president of Bronner Brothers Inc.

In another effort to enhance its entrepreneurial education, the School of Business and Economics will hold the First Collegiate Entrepreneurs Conference on Saturday, April 18. The keynote speaker will be Clarence Smith, president of Essence Communications.

The conference also will feature lectures, workshops, networking and a business plan competition.

For more information about the lecture series or the conference, contact Dr. Thaddeus McEwen at (336) 334-7656, Ext. 4030.

## RICHMOND

from front

tells of two fictitious psychic sisters who prophesy the successes of Richmond's life.

"They hate each other," says Hay of the sisters. They manifest the hatred that blacks have toward other blacks, whites have towards blacks and so on. Hay mixed events of Richmond's life with fiction to create a play that speaks of the love and unity Richmond wanted everyone to feel.

As the story unfolds, the hatred of the sisters, Ollie Mama and Mama Plookie, is used by a racist group to try to stop the Woolworth's sit-in from ever occurring, thus preserving segregation. They spread lies among the community to "divide and conquer."

Miller Lucky Jr., assistant professor of theatre and the director of the play, says that Richmond's story is important because of the purity of his need for people to love.

"We make a lot of reference to family" in the play, says Jayne Ward of

Trenton, N.J., who plays Mama Plookie. "I want to show (in my role) that family is a very important part of your success."

"I was originally planning to write about all four," says Hay, who was approached about a year ago about doing "something special" for Black History Month.

Instead, he chose to focus on the "need for people to love" that Richmond had embodied throughout all of his life-long disappointments.

The other three pioneers - Franklin McCain, Joseph McNeil and Ezell Blair Jr. (now Jibreel Khazan) - left Greensboro and had successes in various fields.

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Bridgett Bess

Plays one of the psychic sisters

Richmond, who died in 1990, chose to live out his life in Greensboro and worked mostly as a janitor. He was labeled him as a "trouble maker," limiting his employment opportunities.

But Richmond "never gave into bitterness and self-pity," Hay says. Recalling his research on the Greensboro Four last summer, Hay says, "There was something that kept tapping me on the shoulder," about Richmond. "He was unlike the other three."

Despite Richmond's troubled personal life, drinking problem and the fact he never finished college because he was trying to take care of his young family, many still attest to the love

they saw in Richmond.

Hal Sieber, Richmond's best friend, told the Greensboro News & Record: "David was a gentle, thoughtful, thinking person who hurt, physically hurt, because people weren't good to each other."

Bridgett Bess of Frankfurt, Germany, says the play "touches me because it lets me know that public figures can have faults like everyone else." Bess, who plays Ollie Mama, one of the psychic sisters, also notes that the play underscores the importance of "focusing on the good things" in one's life.

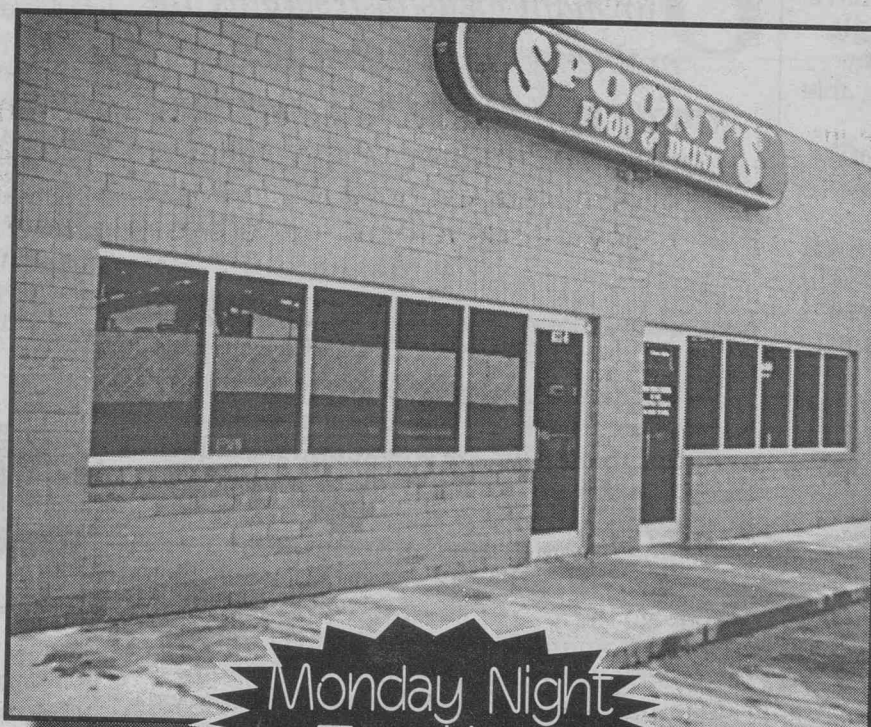
Richmond was never jealous of the other pioneers' success, say those who knew him. He often spoke to school kids about the sit-ins and attended the annual celebrations of the protest.

"A&T played a very important role," says cast member Philip Williamson of Greensboro. "Most change comes from ordinary people."

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## Commentary

# Car wars and stingy commuters

By Sonia Clark-Murray  
Staff Writer

For anyone who has been at A&T even a minute, the parking problem is not news. So let's not "go there." But what should be examined is how spoiled and stingy certain commuter students are. Not all, but most.

There is no regulated parking on Sullivan Street, and it's basically a "free-for-all." Some commuters have taken that to mean that they should take up to two, sometimes even three parking spaces.

Come on people! This is being unfair to your fellow Aggies.

We all pretty much have the same goal in mind; to get an education, but some of you are making it difficult for others to get to class. I am not suggesting that you park so tight that it would be impossible to get out.

Some of you, though, are ridiculous. One morning, I noticed a fellow Aggie parking her car. I use the term "fellow Aggie" loosely. This young lady sports the blue and gold, but definitely lacks true Aggie Pride. Like a lot of other "space hogs," she was purposely taking up two parking spaces.

As luck would have it, there was enough room for a skillful driver like myself to squeeze in front of her.

While my rear bumper was really close, there was at least four to five feet between her rear bumper and the other car behind her. Stevie Wonder could have gotten out that parking space.

Yet, she pulls out of parking space and goes across the street to take up two parking spaces over there.

When she exited her vehicle, I sheepishly inquired about her actions. She said, "I don't want nobody parking on my bumper. When I need to go to work, then I can't get out." Translation: "Forget everybody else. I am out for me and me only."

*And, for those of you with a pretty Lexus or Beamer yakking about someone bumping your car, get a life!*

And, for those of you with a pretty Lexus or Beamer yakking about someone bumping your car, get a life! (Yes, you, Ms. Thang with the "Phenomenal Woman" license plates.) Giving more love and understanding into material things than we do to each other has black people in a state of division.

When our grandparents and parents had nothing, they got along a thousand times better than we do today. Now that we have "arrived" and we have "material things," we put each other down.

Just a note: Some of you are often a few car payments behind. So parking tight would be in your best interest to keep the "Repo' Man" from scooping up your car.

The Bible says "...to whom much is given, much is required (Luke 12:48)." That means when you are blessed with something above and beyond what you deserve; don't be stingy with it.

By receiving such a blessing, one is obligated to go the extra mile for his or her fellow man.

The commuter students out of Marteen, Barnes, Crosby, Carver and Merrick Halls have something that other commuters on campus do not have.

"That" being a convenient place to park that has no real regulations. While there is not enough room for everyone, efforts can be made to fit a few more folks in.

# Register recommitting to age-old slogan

As we make our way through Black History Month, we have probably been flooded with images of struggle and strife we as a people have encountered over time. These times of struggle have all been difficult, but they all have a common characteristic. We would not have been able to survive without communicating.

Stressed so many times before, communication is a necessity; it is a must in order to handle the problems we face at A&T.

There are many issues being addressed at A&T. They range from not enough toilet paper in the dormitories to the parking and housing. These are problems that have existed for many years now. These are problems many students have addressed. These are problems that will continue to exist unless we come together to face them.

In order for these problems to begin to dissolve, there must be dialogue with the right people. Sometimes the only people who hear the concerns from students are their roommates and friends. The students will begin to converse amongst themselves and build an energy, but when it is time to release that energy, they are not sure who to go to or what to do.

Questions arise, yet no answers follow.

That's where *The A&T Register* comes in.

We provide the students an avenue to express themselves. Media allow those concerned to spread their concerns and begin to develop an awareness among others.

We want to extend a hand to everyone. If there are any issues that need to be addressed, we wish to be the first stop in searching for answers. We want to help turn energy into action.

Realize, though, that our goal is not to solve the

*Our main focus in resolving the problems we face at A&T is arming our readers with the information they need to know. We give them power through knowledge.*

problems directly. We are not implying we can create more money for financial support or build more lots to park in. We will inform the students that it is a concern. We will raise the awareness of the student body and generate more concern from others facing the same problem and offer ideas as to how to handle the situation as well as who to go to.

We are committed to gathering the facts and presenting them to our readers.

Our main focus in resolving the problems we face at A&T is arming our readers with the information they need to know. We give them power through knowledge.

By supplying our readers with the information they need, we make our contribution to the process. But we need to know your interests and concerns.

We are now beginning to conduct surveys of our readers. We will take the first step in re-establishing communication. Being the media

source for A&T, we are refocusing our goals and objectives as the student newspaper. We are returning to the slogan that has weathered decades of change at A&T.

Our goal is not to directly bring about change; our goal is to arm those who will bring the change with the knowledge and power they need. Our goal is to be a catalyst for change — through spreading an awareness.

As A&T grows and continues to progress, *The A&T Register* will provide a source of information and a forum of ideas. We have reestablished the slogan and will live by it...

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# Military Science

## R.O.T.C. helps develop future leaders, job security

By Joyce Craig  
Staff Writer

Have you ever wondered why we get up so early in the morning and run? Have you ever wondered why you see us carrying M-16s around campus? It is not because we are crazy students trying to play commandos; it is because we are students in training to learn the necessary skills in the science of warfare and the art of leadership.

Army R.O.T.C. is a college course that teaches you invaluable leadership skills, skills that can help you rise above your peers in a military or professional career. The Army R.O.T.C. Four-Year program consists of two parts: the basic and advanced course.

The basic course is usually taken in the freshman and sophomore years and requires no military commitment. You get to see whether the discipline and challenges of being an Army officer appeal to you.

The advanced course is a mutual commitment.

When you've reached this point you will sign a contract which certifies that you understand your service obligation. Four-year scholarship cadets have to serve eight years. There are also numerous two- and three-year scholarships available to those individuals who enter the program late.

Why on earth would anyone want to serve eight years in the military? Cadet Brian Young, a senior business management major, said, "After I graduate, I have a job. The Army has invested too much money in me to let me graduate and have no direction in life. I feel a real sense of security, in knowing that for the next eight years, I have no worries and no job interviews."

Senior mechanical engineering major Mike Atkinson comments on the instability of today's job market for recent graduates. "That's one thing I do envy about those [R.O.T.C.] guys. They know where they are going once they graduate. The job market for the graduating senior is unstable, un-

less you have connections or internships," he said.

R.O.T.C. cadets may train to learn infantry war-fighting tactics, but it's important not to overlook the other services that R.O.T.C. cadets provide. It is similar to many of the other organizations on campus: Members pay dues, participate in community service projects and have various fund-raisers.

Some of the projects include the Big Brother/Big Sister program, The Lunch Buddy Program, sponsor the United Way and Toys for Tots. There are also organizations within the military department, The National Society of Pershing Angels and the National Society of Pershing Rifles, that are dedicated to putting out great leaders in today's workplace, whether it be military or civilian.

If anything above sounds even halfway interesting or even amusing, then do not hesitate to stop by Campbell Hall to pick up some more information. No one is going to attack you or insinuate that you are the enemy.

## Models strut their stuff

By Tamara Lewis  
Staff Writer

A&T's modeling group, Couture, held its first fashion cabaret on Friday, Jan. 30 in the Student Union Ballroom.

Modeling groups from several universities participated in the cabaret. Groups from A&T, Winston-Salem State, St. Augustine and N.C. Central were featured in the show; and troupes from UNC-Chapel Hill and UNC-G were in the audience.

Couture began the show by modeling evening wear. Their second presentation focused on this year's theme, "A Jungle in the Mist." The models wore various styles of swimwear that were definite crowd pleasers.

A&T freshman Monica Williams said, "It was really exciting, especially the men! Our guys were the best."

Moz-iqu of Winston-Salem State performed a short skit called, "Hypocrite." The participants modeled party, semi-formal and business attire. They exposed their primary colors for this season, which are red, black and white.

"It was a good show," said junior Marcus Scott. "Everybody represented, especially us [A&T], but Winston-Salem rocked!"

St. Augustine's models wore a variety of semi-formal attire. They also included a subtheme called "Manic Monday" where they modeled casual and street attire.

Bon Bi Vante of N.C. Central exposed several styles of semi-formal and business attire.

Members of the audience were pleased with the outcome of the cabaret. Sophomore Clarice Rankin said, "I thought it was very different. I liked the jungle scene the best. It exposed the true significance of our heritage and of A&T in general."

Couture's president, Portia Kee, was most pleased with the modeling group. "I believe that our models were fantastic, as well as the other modeling troupes. It went well, considering that it was the first time we've done something like this."

## TRIVIA?

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## Aggie plates express pride

By Tasha Williamson  
Staff Writer

"AGGIE PRIDE" is shown everywhere Aggies go. There is definitely no doubt about that. But, there is one way of showing "AGGIE PRIDE" that many Aggies do not know about.

The official A&T collegiate license plate has been offered to all affiliated with A&T for a long period of time. However, for years individuals have tried unsuccessfully to retain the necessary numbers needed to start the process.

In order to start the production of the license plate, it is required that 300 registration forms be completed. It is estimated that 240 registered forms have been submitted thus far.

Now that you have read this information, what is your reaction? Many students who have been talked to did not even know about the opportunity to have an A&T license plate.

Shontilla L. Guy, an elementary

education major, said "The license plate would be a good way for the alumni, students and graduating seniors to show pride in our school no matter where we are."

If you think about it, what would be a better way to show where you graduated and give the Rams, Eagles and Bison a constant reminder of where they should have gone to school.

In order to obtain the collegiate license plate, one must go to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and fill out the proper registration form.

The form then needs to be sent to Raleigh along with a payment of \$45. The only stipulation is that the vehicle must be registered in the state of North Carolina.

For further information, contact the office of Alumni Affairs at (336) 334-7583. Bridgett Herring, Miss A&T, is overseeing the project.

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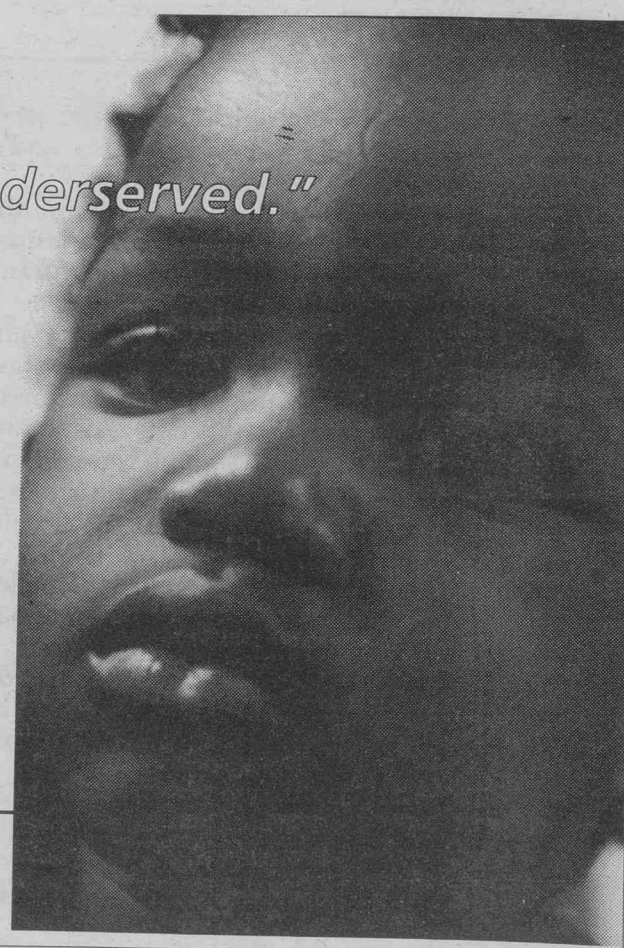
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# Will You Be Mine?



**To: Jamey Tuggle**  
**From: Kanika Hammonds**  
We have been through a lot over the past two years. I just wanted to let you know that no matter what happens to us or who we end up with, I'll always love you.

**To: Katia Cutts**  
**From: Teybe Kpmogawbi**  
"Stop Wylling."

**To: David**  
**From: Kim**  
Thanks for being my homie. I wish you much success and happiness in the future. Keep smiling.

**To: Tonya**  
**From: Keith**  
The past six months with you have been the best six months of my life. I know that we have something special. Happy Valentine's Day.

**To: My lady; you know who you are.**  
**From: K. R.**  
Most guys spend a lifetime looking for "Ms. Right." I found mine when I met you. Happy Valentine's Day.

**To: Mkeka Copney**  
**From: A Secret Admirer**  
I wish you didn't have a girlfriend, but I hope that yawl are happy with each other. Good luck & keep smiling.

**To: Jamal Hill**  
**From: Your Secret Admirer**  
Just wanted to let you know that someone is thinking about you every second, every minute, every hour, everyday, every week, every month, every semester...

**To: The Ladies of the National Society of Pershing Angels**  
**From: Kanika Hammonds**  
I just wanted to wish all of my sisters a Happy Valentine's Day. I love you guys. CHIRP!

**To: Keyana**  
**From: You Know Me**  
You may not be the prettiest girl in the world, but you are the kindest person that I have ever met. I hope that we will always be together.

**To: Renee**  
**From: Mark**  
I had never known true love before I met you. Don't ever change. Happy Valentine's Day!

**To: Kim**  
**From: Jason**  
Luv ya' girl. I promise you that this Feb. 14 will be one that you will never forget.

**To: Martinez Washington**  
**From: A Secret Admirer**  
Just wanted to let you know someone is thinking about you every moment of every day and particularly on this Valentine's day. Happy Valentine's Day

**To: Hurley Williams, Jr.**  
**From: Tonia Dudley**  
I thank God for allowing us to meet in October of 1995. I love you very much and pray everyday for this relationship. Continue to be the true Man Of God that you are. Happy Valentine's Day from the bottom of my heart.

**To: Steve**  
**From: Rouex**  
What's up, baby? How's thangs? Just holding it down. All I wanted to say was I hope you have fun on Valentine's Day. I can't forget to tell you, I have a little JONES going on. Peace.

**To: Travis**  
**From: Tina**  
Just wanted to tell you I love you very much. You're my heart and my world. Be my Valentine. Hugs and Kisses.

**To: Jon Moody**  
**From: KH**  
Once in a while someone special comes along to brighten the day. I'm glad that you and I crossed paths and created some sunshine. Love always...

**To: Tasha**  
**From: Tony**  
Wuz up girl? Thank you for your honesty. Your friendship means the world to me.

**To: Collin V. Brandon**  
**From: Someone Special**  
Sometimes love is confusing, but if it is meant to be it will definitely happen. I hope you have a wonderful Valentine's Day!

**To: Dale**  
**From: Angie**  
I love you but you just don't know. I hope that this message will show you how you make me glow.

**To: K. J.**  
**From: Clarisce**  
Can we try again?

**To: J. Canty**  
**From: Kim**  
Happy Valentine's day and thanks for being patient with me when I first started out with the paper.

**To: Eric "Dominique"**  
**Anderson**  
**From: Dominique**  
Dad call me sometime!

**To: My Brown Sugar**  
**From: Tyrone**  
You are the sweetest girl (besides my mom) that I have ever known. Happy Valentine's Day!

**To: Shenika**  
**From: Your Man**  
Please forgive me for what I did. You know that you are the one that I want to be with. Happy Valentines.

**To: Sherrie, Natia & Narshira**  
**From: Natasha**  
You are my very best friends and I love you dearly. I hope you have a wonderful Valentine's Day!

## VALENTINE

from front

Crystal Gaskill, a communications major, says Valentine's day is an important holiday - and a memorable one.

She was in the middle of a one-year relationship when Valentine's Day arrived.

"He called me at 7 a.m. and we got into an argument," she said. "He was supposed to come visit me and he didn't know if he was coming."

"Later on that evening he surprised me and we made up. We spent a quiet evening together."

Valentine's Day is not just a holiday for females, Gaskill said, and men as well as women should participate in gift giving.

The idea of Valentine's Day seems to disturb the single population of A&T. It's just another reminder, they say, of how they do not have anyone special to call their own.

While their peers may be receiving flowers, candy and gifts from admirers, single Aggies are left without admirers of their own.

Yolanda Cato, a sophomore, has seen both sides of it.

"When I was in high school I was dating this guy for a whole year and on Valentine's Day he came to school with gifts in his hands," Cato said. "I just knew my day was going to be off the hook. I had my man buying me Valentine sweethearts and telling me how much he loved me."

"You know when your in high school you're quick to tell somebody you love them and don't even know what bus number they ride. But I was wrong. Those gifts were for someone else."

Despite that Valentine's Day disaster, the following Feb. 14 was joyous.

"I received balloons, roses and other heart-felt gifts that made me feel good about our relationship," Cato said. "I was wine and dined that Valentine's Day."

Cato also appreciates the cynic's point of view.

"To be honest, the outlook I have on Valentine's Day is that it's another man-made, money-making monopoly," she said. "It's one of those holidays where society decides to put on their happy and polite face and tell the rest of the world, 'Hey, it's OK to be pseudo, just do it when people expect for you to.'"

"When February 15 comes around, divorces are filed more than ever, adulterers are back doing what they do best and most of all society is back to giv-

ing each other the bird because someone cut in front of them driving 55 mph in the passing lane on I-40."

Couples should show means of affection regularly, Cato said, and not because of a specific holiday.

"I'd rather someone give me something unexpectedly than feeling obligated because this is supposed to be the day you tell me you love me," she said.

For Aggies who have a Valentine in mind, you can send your admirer tokens of affection over the Internet. Virtualflorist.com enables you to send floral arrangements by e-mail. E-cards.com allows you to send that someone special a Valentine card. Other interesting Valentine websites are: my-valentine.com, valentine.com and lovingyou.com.







To: You  
From: Me  
Thinking of you brings me joy and a smile day to day.

To: The A&T Register Staff  
From: J. Canty  
Happy Valentine's Day! It is a joy to work with each of you.

To: Joey Staton  
From: Keishia Nichols  
On this special day, I am reminded of how deeply in love I am with you. I know that I don't just love you today, but everyday; love "Baby Girl"

To: Michael Craig aka Go-Go Mike  
From: Your two transportation buddies  
You betta study yo' transportation!

To: Shaundra  
From: R. J.  
Thank you for being a friend. Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Tall Tale #2, Antonio Hill  
From: The National Corporation of Product Transformation  
You betta calm down!

To: DW  
From: Puddin'  
Crazy, special thanks for being the sweetest, most caring friend anyone can have. Don't change. Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Phillip Milhouse  
From: Janorri Williams  
Keep your head up. You are blessed. You're not going through this alone. Someone loves you. Pain lasts only for a night, but joy commeth in the morning.

To: The Alpha Phi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.  
From: Two Be Real  
Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Tenecia  
From: K. T.  
You have opened an insight into my life!

To: (Mother) Gwen A. Barr  
From: Mareo V. Barr  
You have always been there for me through my rough times. Thank you.

To: Shenna, Courtney & Rochelle  
From: Summer Shaw  
Have a happy Valentine's Day!

To: Najwa  
From: The Night Owl  
No ands, ifs or buts about it...

To: Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie Shaw  
From: Your Daughter  
I love you guys!

To: Tom Sengkhom  
From: Kevin Williams  
Happy Valentine's Day!

To: The Ladies of that Crimson & Cream  
From: The Brothers of that Phi Nu Pi  
Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Our Sisters of Sigma Gamma Rho  
From: Your Brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi  
We wish you much love on this Valentine's Day and always remember our bond. Keep it tight. Happy Valentine's Day.

To: Jamie Hickman  
From: Melanie Ostrove  
Happy Valentine's Day. Our love is friendship.

To: Elizabeth  
From: The Author  
If you ever finish reading "the book," please let me know so I'll know if my patience is paying off.

To: The Lovely Ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha  
From: The Distinguished Men of Kappa Alpha Psi  
We wish you a Happy Valentine's Day. Keep love in your heart and beauty will always belong to you.

To: All of Our Beautiful African Queens  
From: The Noble Men of Kappa Alpha Psi  
Happy Valentine's Day from the men who wear the diamond high. Diamonds are truly a girl's best friend.

To: Phillip  
From: Seshsha-t Nuta  
Happy Valentine's Day to a very special person. Your presence lights up my days.

To: The Chocolate Brother in my Math Class (You know who you are)  
From: Lynn  
I love you with all of my heart

To: 7-21  
From: 13  
Still best friends?

To: Jason Peele (sexy)  
From: ? who  
I know we have an agreement, but my feelings for you will never fade. I luv you always!

To: Clean Butter  
From: Da Bomb!  
Love to love ya!

To: All of my army friends & Scott  
From: Anita Towns  
Have a wonderful Valentine's Day, full of love. I look forward to a great spring break coming up. Love yah.

To: Binji  
From: Angie  
I miss you. Wish you were with me for this special day, because you are special to me.

To: My Mommy, Daddy and Grandma  
From: P. J.  
Happy Valentine's Day. I love you.

To: Anita Towns  
From: Parthenia M. Pickett  
Thanks for being the friend that you are, and being there when I needed you most. Thanks. Happy Valentine's Day. Love ya, Par-Par.

To: My love  
From: Eric  
I am glad that we have each other. Happy Valentine's Day!



To: Iesha  
From: Jonathan  
Love ya girl. You are my sunshine. Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Candi  
From: Maurice  
When I think of you, I think of love. You are the girl of my dreams.

To: Tamika Beasley  
From: Someone  
One is innocent until proven guilty; remember that. Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Rica  
From: Andre  
Loving you is all I can think about. Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Country Bumpkin (JEB)  
From: Southern Belle (DLJ)  
To a very special person who means more to me that I am actually telling him. Thank you for encouraging me daily although you don't even know it. The question is... "Will you be my Valentine?" Happy Valentine's Day and I hope that we can spend many more together. Mate.

To: Lynette Petty  
From: Lynette Johnson  
Just a shout out to wish you and your significant other (ha!) A Happy Valentine's Day. Love always, Mate.

To: Teresa Green  
From: ?  
Don't worry your MAN will come!

To: William Joyner "DJ"  
From: Your Baby  
I know we haven't gotten up yet, but it's still waiting for you. Happy Valentine's Day.

To: Freight Train  
From: Sweet-N-Low  
I hope all of my LBs and my LS had a great Valentine's Day. Freight train #3. Aggie Pride.

To: "Doc"  
From: Guess Who?  
And you thought you wouldn't get anything. Happy Valentine's Day.

To: Big Tre & Little D  
From: Square Dog  
Although you're not "real" woo remembers, y'all are still my sweeties! Much love!

To: J  
From: Dre'  
You are truly one in a million. I thank God for blessing me with you. I love your wisdom, your sense of humor, your kind heart... Happy Valentine's Day.

To: Chalonda Clark  
From: Anthony Wilson  
I love you! Will you marry me?

To: Pete  
From: Ro  
I just want you to know that I understand and I love you. Love is or it ain't. Thin love ain't love at all.

To: Melissa, Ebony, Tasha, Pauletta, Sherrie  
From: Marian  
Tasha and Sherrie; thanks for the memories from last year! Ebony and Melissa: I love my family! Pauletta: Through all the trying times... you should be dead now... love ya!

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**To: Shani**  
**From: Who else?**  
 Happy Valentine's Day. Hope we can spend more time together this year.

**To: The Brothers of Phi Beta Sigma**  
**From: Sigma-lover**  
 Work it out, boys! Especially Jason, with your sexy self! Happy V-day, guys!

**To: Mudiwa Mustafa**  
 I think I'm falling for your daughter.

**To: Sexual Chocolate**  
**From: All your friends on 2nd floor in Holland**  
 Happy Valentine's Day and stay sexy.

**To: Steven Harris**  
**From: Monique Lawrence**  
 I love you more than words can show, and I just wanted the university to know.

**To: Phoebus**  
**From: Triad**  
 What's up man? Just wanted you to have a Valentine.

**To: "Jaclyn"**  
**From: A Friend**  
 Where you been? I hope you're having a Happy Valentine's Day.

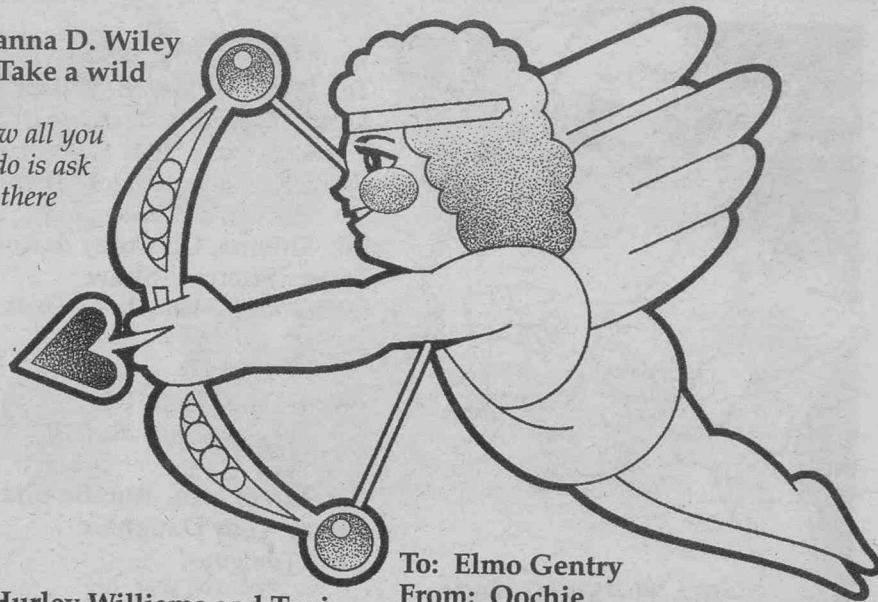
**To: My SOS and all my other friends**  
**From: Michelle aka Crazy Dog #21**  
 First of all, I would like to wish my special someone a very Happy Valentine's Day. I hope this time it's all we want it to be. To my girls of Woo-Phi, a very special shot-out goes to you and yours. You will always be a special part of me. 4-eva. And to my other dogs, my life hold nothing but great things for you. I love you all. Sincerely, Crazy Dog. Shout-outs to Tre, Lil' D and Dad. Oh, what's up Froxy?

**To: Shanna D. Wiley**  
**From: Take a wild guess!**  
 You know all you have to do is ask and I'm there for ya.

**To: All**  
**From: Hurley Williams and Tonia Dudley**  
 Let Jesus Christ be the love of your life this Valentine's Day. "Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God." John 4:7

**To: Elmo Gentry**  
**From: Oochie**  
 I love you with all my heart!

**To: Joi**  
**From: The Kid**  
 Sure we just met, but why not? Happy Valentine's Day. I hope to get to know you better this year.



## Aggie men struggle on scoring points

By Marq King  
 Sports Editor

Wanted: Ervin Johnson or Sherman Lewis. It was ridiculously apparent that the cause for A&T's second consecutive Nat Greene Classic loss was due to an ineffective offense. The A&T offense sputtered throughout the entire game.

Either the offensive scheme is not positioning players in areas to score or the players do not possess the skills to create offense from the areas that they are positioned.

The facts are that the Aggies do not have the offensive firepower to "run-n-gun" or even hit the century mark consistently. Nor do they possess size in the front court. A&T does have overall team quickness. Plus, the Aggies are sporting brand spanking new uniforms.

At first glance the Aggie offense would seem very selfless and determined. Upon further examination two innate tendencies are very noticeable.

First, there is a lack of movement after the initial pass is made. The only constant movement is across the baseline by the designated shooter.

Second, the players make no strong attempt to score or pressure the defense one on one.

The first tendency is a direct product of coaching. There is no immediate effort made to score. Plus, the A&T offense does not produce enough options. The players rarely run the opponent off of interior screens or picks. The guards can predictably be found around the perimeter and the front court players are chained to the low post area 90 percent of the time.

The reluctance to improvise and attack inbreeds passivity. Examples of this effect are visible. The most unsettling during the Thomas tenure is the regular frequency with which players pass up a wide open shot. It almost seems as if the Aggies are

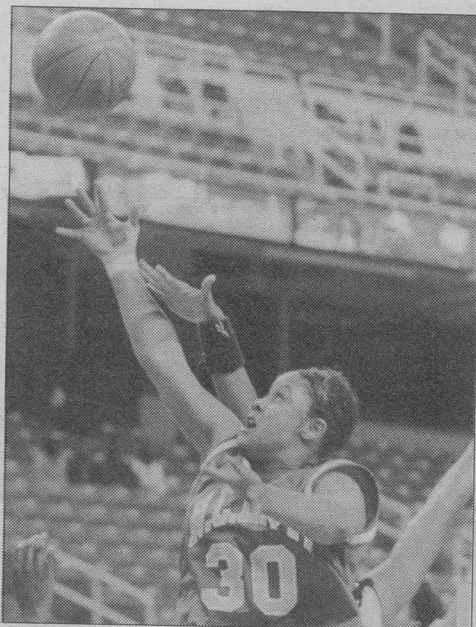


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stalling. One could understand controlling the tempo (waiting to shoot when the shot clock runs down to 10 seconds) against a superior opponent, but N.C. Central is in a lower league, supposedly.

The second tendency is more than likely contributable to the players. More often than not players do not even look to score with the ball in their hands. Two-man attacks do not develop and one-on-one assaults are rare. A&T cannot create a mismatch to exploit at any position.

It seems that, the Aggies have no scorers (one who can create his own open shot) or playmakers (one who can do the former and create for teammates). A couple players have shown the pluck to test opposing defenses. But, they lack the tools, physical and skillwise, to finish a scoring opportunity.

Roy Thomas is a disciple of hard-nosed defense. His teams usually gel late in the season and contend, but the Aggies will not dominate unless an offensive presence is developed or recruited. The 5-5 (6-12 overall) Aggies will have to make more chances on the offensive end.

After all the object of the game is to put the ball in the peach basket.

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